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SUBJECT: NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT: GUYANESE FOREIGN MINISTER'S  
PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT

DURING A CONVERSATION FEBRUARY 27, GUYANESE FONMIN FRED WILLS  
IN RESPONSE TO AN INQUIRY ON MY PART GAVE THE FOLLOWING AS HIS  
ASSESSMENT OF THE PROBABLE TREATMENT OF MAJOR ITEMS LIKELY TO  
COME UP AT THE COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT. WILLS SAID HE SAW A  
MAJOR PREOCCUPATION WITH US-USSR DETENTE ON THE ONE HAND AND WITH  
MAJOR POWER "DESTABILIZATION" ACTIVITIES DIRECTED AT NAM SMALL  
POWERS.

1. PUERTO RICO-- WILLS THINKS CUBA WILL BE THE ONLY NAM MEMBER  
TO PUSH FOR DEBATE AND ACTION ON PUERTO RICAN "LIBERATION". WILLS  
DESCRIBED THE PUERTO RICAN QUESTION AS A NON-STARTER AMONG  
MAJORITY OF NAM MEMBERS.

2. KOREA-- WILLS SAID CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS  
DEALING WITH THE TWO KOREA'S WILL GIVE HEADACHES TO A LOT OF NAM  
MEMBERS, BUT THAT WHILE THE PRO-DPRK FORCES WITHIN THE NAM HAVE  
LOST SOME MOMENTUM, THE VISION OF USG IMPOTENCE IN THE FACE OF  
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SUCCESSFUL SOVIET MILITARY BACKING OF MPLA IN ANGOLA WILL RESULT IN  
A NEGATIVE VOTE ON THE SOUTH KOREAN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION. ONE

THING WORTH WATCHING, ACCORDING TO WILLS, WILL BE THE ROLE OF THE PRC; WILLS BELIEVES THE PRC WANTS VERY MUCH TO RETAIN USG PRESENCE ON ASIAN MAINLAND AND COULD BRING PRESSURE ON SOME NAM COUNTRIES TO SUPPORT SOUTH KOREAN MEMBERSHIP.

3. MIDDLE EAST: ANOTHER ISSUE WHICH WILL AGAIN BE TRAUMATIC FOR THE NAM ACCORDING TO WILLS. HE SAID THAT GUYANA WILL PROBABLY AGAIN SUPPORT A DECLARATION CRITICAL OF ZIONISM BECAUSE TERM IMPLIES ISRAELI PERMANENT OCCUPATION OF PALESTINIAN HOMELAND. GUYANA FEELS IT ESSENTIAL TO OPPOSE ANY FORCEFUL OCCUPATION OF TERRITORY BECAUSE OF VENEZUELAN'S TERRITORIAL CLAIM AND BECAUSE OF ITS UNCERTAINTY ABOUT THE INTENTIONS OF THE NEIGHBORING BRAZILIAN COLOSSUS.

4. SOUTH AFRICA-- BEARING IN MIND THAT WILLS AND OTHER GUYANESE HAVE AN EMOTIONAL OUTLOOK ON THIS ISSUE, IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT HE EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE APARTHEID AND OTHER RACIST REGIMES IN AFRICA WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ALL OTHER QUESTIONS AT THE NAM SUMMIT.

5. OTHER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS: GOG WILL SUPPORT PHILIPPINES MEMBERSHIP AND BELIEVES THAT IN SPITE OF US MILITARY BASES AND OTHER PRO-WESTERN ALIGNMENT INDICES, THERE WILL BE ADEQUATE SUPPORT TO GET PHILIPPINES IN. ON THE OTHER HAND, WILLS BELIEVES THE LATIN AMERICAN MEMBERS WILL NOT HAVE ENOUGH STRENGTH OR PERSUASIVE POWER TO PUT GUATEMALA OVER THE TOP. OPPOSITION TO GUATEMALA IS BASED PRIMARILY ON ITS UNWARRANTED CLAIM TO BELIZE.

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